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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, July 12, 2010, at 2 p.m.

House of Representatives

THURSDAY, JULY 1, 2010

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. JACKSON of Illinois).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

July 1, 2010.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JESSE L. JACKSON, Jr. to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Bradford Braley, First Presbyterian Church, Cedar Falls, Iowa, offered the following prayer:

Great and gracious God, we gather today from north and south and east and west as representatives chosen to lead Your people. As we approach the 234th anniversary of the birth of this great Nation, we ask You to rekindle the spirit of independence which values and respects each person's freedom.

Reignite the spirit of unity that overcame sharp differences of opinion to form these United States. Renew a spirit of interdependence which seeks the common good of all above personal preferences.

Inspire a sense of awe and wonder at the bountiful resources of this land, and in light of the environmental tragedy in the Gulf of Mexico, may we humbly dedicate ourselves to pre-

serving and protecting those resources. Guide these leaders in their work today, and in the days to come, that our Nation's example of democracy and compassion may be a beacon of hope to all the world. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. HEINRICH led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

WELCOMING REVEREND BRADFORD BRALEY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the gentleman from Iowa (Mr. BRALEY) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. BRALEY of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, it is always a privilege when a member of your district, a constituent, gets to deliver the prayer to open the House day. It's also a rare privilege when that in-

dividual happens to be your personal pastor. But, Mr. Speaker, no one knows better than you what a rare privilege it is when that person is also a member of your family.

I am extremely proud to have my brother here to deliver the opening prayer. This is an important week in his life because this is also the 30th anniversary this week of his ordination as a Presbyterian minister. He is the Pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Cedar Falls, Iowa. He has also served churches in Nevada and Ida Grove, Iowa. He got his Divinity Degree from the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary in my district.

He's been a great role model to me and my family and has been an inspiration to the parish where he has served because of his community leadership, including a very long and strong action in leading the CROP Walk to help take care of needy people throughout this world. For that reason I am honored to have him here today. I appreciated the inspiring remarks he shared with us.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 10 further requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

WALL STREET REFORM AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT

(Mr. HEINRICH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

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